

they did not realize the need to get out quickly and stay out. We need to teach our children that fires are not at all like they see in movies; fire spreads quickly and can rapidly become deadly. Thick smoke makes it difficult to see and breathe, and the temperature is scorching. The number one priority in every fire is to escape from the building and stay out.

I urge all Americans to learn how to respond quickly in case of a fire emergency, and I urge our Nation's employers to provide a fire emergency response plan for the workplace so that all employees will know what to do if fire occurs. Effective fire escape plans should include two ways out of every room, and assurance that all exists are accessible. Windows painted shut, blocked doors, and security bars can be deadly hazards that can trap fire victims inside and hinder rescuers' attempts from outside. Equally important, we must resist any temptation to reenter a burning building. No valuable is worth as much as a life.

Fire Prevention Week is a time not only to think about our own safety, but also to show our appreciation to the brave men and women who risk their safety in our Nation's fire services. Too often, their dedication results in the ultimate sacrifice. Last year, 80 firefighters died in the line of duty and more than 97,000 were injured. These courageous men and women will be honored on Sunday, October 10, 1993, during the Twelfth Annual National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

We should also recognize the members of the other public and private organizations that are working toward our shared goal of fire safety, including the American Burn Association, the American Red Cross, the Congressional Fire Service Institute, the Fire Marshals Association of North America, the International Association of Arson Investigators, the International Association of Black Professional Firefighters, the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the International Association of Fire Fighters, the International Society of Fire Service Instructors, the National Association of State Fire Marshals, and the National Volunteer Fire Council. The efforts of these and other organiza-

tions working for fire safety will be greatly enhanced if we as individual citizens learn and practice fire-safe behavior. I also commend the efforts of public officials, fire-fighters, educators, business leaders, and the community and volunteer organizations who are working together to bring about a safer America.

**Now, Therefore, I, William J. Clinton,** President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim the week beginning October 3, 1993, as Fire Prevention Week. I call upon the people of the United States to plan and actively participate in fire prevention activities not only this week, but throughout the year. I also ask all Americans to pay tribute to those firefighters who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our safety.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eighteenth.

**William J. Clinton**

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### **Notice on the Continuation of Haitian Emergency September 30, 1993**

On June 30, 1993, I issued Executive Order No. 12853, implementing United Nations Security Council Resolution 841 with respect to Haiti. That order required the blocking of Haitian nationals providing material assistance to the *de facto* regime in Haiti, and prohibited certain transactions with Haiti. These measures were imposed by United Nations member states to help ensure the return to power of the democratically elected government in Haiti. Executive Order No. 12853 further implements action taken by President Bush in Executive Order No. 12775 of October 4, 1991, which de-

clared a national emergency to deal with the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States posed by the grave events that had occurred in the Republic of Haiti to disrupt the legitimate exercise of power by the democratically elected government of that country. On October 28, 1991, by Executive Order No. 12779, President Bush took additional measures by prohibiting, with certain exceptions, trade between the United States and Haiti.

In the last 2 months, substantial progress has been made toward the restoration of democracy in Haiti. President Aristide, the democratically elected head of the Government of Haiti, and Lieutenant General Raoul Cedras of the *de facto* regime in Haiti entered into the July 3, 1993 Agreement of Governors Island, setting forth conditions for the restoration of democracy in Haiti. Pursuant to that Agreement, the United Nations Security Council (United Nations Security Council Resolution 861 of August 27, 1993) and the Organization of American States (Secretary General's announcement of August 27, 1993) have called upon member states to suspend, but not to terminate, sanctions against Haiti. Accordingly, on August 31, 1993, the United States prospectively suspended trade and financial sanctions against Haiti, while keeping certain assets of the government of Haiti blocked. Because not all conditions have been met for the full restoration of democracy in Haiti, the situation in Haiti continues to be of considerable concern to the United States. Accordingly, I am continuing the national emergency with respect to Haiti in accordance with section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)). This notice shall be published in the *Federal Register* and transmitted to the Congress.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,  
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## **Message to the Congress on Haiti** *September 30, 1993*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the Haitian emergency is to continue in effect beyond October 4, 1993, to the *Federal Register* for publication.

The crisis between the United States and Haiti that led to the declaration on October 4, 1991, of a national emergency has not been resolved. While substantial progress has been made toward restoring democracy pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolution 861, all necessary conditions to that restoration have not yet been met. Multilateral sanctions have been suspended but not terminated. Political conditions in Haiti continue, therefore, to be of considerable concern to the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to retain the authority to apply economic sanctions to ensure the restoration and security of the democratically elected Government of Haiti.

**William J. Clinton**

The White House,  
September 30, 1993.

## **Memorandum on AIDS** *September 30, 1993*

*Memorandum for the Heads of Executive  
Departments and Agencies*

*Subject: AIDS at Work*

Halting the spread of HIV/AIDS and caring for those already touched by the disease is our common responsibility. Sadly, if you do not know someone with HIV/AIDS, you soon will. Every 17 minutes an American dies